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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: UK IR OVIP (CALLAGHAN, JAMES)

SUBJECT: FONSEC CALLAGHAN VISIT TO IRAN, MARCH 4-7

1. EGERTON (FCO ENERGY) TELLS US FCO IS HAVING A DIFFICULT TIME PREPARING BRIEF FOR FONSEC CALLAGHAN'S VISIT TO IRAN MARCH4-7. TIMING COMES AT PARTICULARLY POOR MOMENT IN CONTEXT OF GOI-OIL COMPANY NEGOTIATIONS. EGERTON IS UNCERTAIN EXACTLY WHAT APPROACH WILL BE RECOMMENDED TO CALLAGHAN, BUT HE SUPPOSES IDEA WILL BE TO NOTE POLITELY THAT IRANIAN ORICE REDUCTION OF 9.5 CENTS A BARREL ON HEAVY CRUDE IS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. HOWEVER, ADDITIONAL MOVE TOWARD INCREASED COMPETITIVENESS WITH OTHER PRODUCERS IS BEST SOLUTION TO IPANIAN OFFTAKE PROBLEM.

2. EGERTON ASSUMES FONSEC WILL ATTEMPT TO STRESS TRADE MATTERS, INDIAN OCEAN AND GULF SECURITY AFFAIRS (INCLUDING ARMS SALES PERHAPS) RATHER THAN OIL PRICES OR CIEC MATTERS MORE EENERALLY.

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